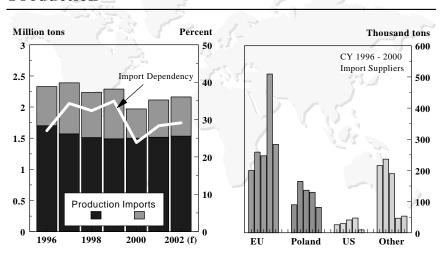
## Russia's Swine and Pork Situation

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001 (p)	2002 (f)
Swine (1,000 head)						_	
Total Supply*	51,971	49,910	47,614	47,135	46,835	46,865	47,105
Slaughter	28,000	29,130	27,950	27,350	27,450	27,590	27,650
Pork (1,000 tons; carcass weight equivalent)							
Production	1,700	1,570	1,510	1,490	1,500	1,515	1,535
Imports	630	820	725	800	470	600	630
Consumption	2,329	2,389	2,234	2,289	1,969	2,114	2,164
Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Total supply = beginning inventories + pig crop + imports

Pork Imports Grow as Consumption Outpaces Production



Russia=s pig supply is forecast to marginally increase in 2002 with improved feed supply and investment in the sector. Higher pork prices in the domestic market also provide incentives for producers to increase pig production. Russia=s pork imports in 2002 are forecast at 630,000 tons, up 5 percent from 2001, as an improved economy is expected to create more demand for pork. Although the EU will likely remain the major supplier, Russia=s pork imports from non-EU members are increasing. For example, Russia's imports from Brazil in 2001 are rapidly increasing. The United States remains a minor player in the market.